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STOCKS OF GRAINS OCTOBER 1, 1954, WITH COMPARISONS

The Crop Reporting Board of the Agricultural Marketing Service has assembled from various sources the following information on stocks of grain in all positions:

Grain	Position	: Oct. 1 : 1953	: Oct. 1 : 1953	: July 1 : 1954	: Oct. 1 : 1954
Thousand bushels					
Wheat	(On Farms 1/	513,218	563,569	99,810	436,769
	(Terminals 2/	313,561	342,163	296,715	422,772
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	4,321	42,719	110,704	126,228
	(Merchant Mills 1/ 4/	150,243	134,477	63,829	159,075
	(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/ 5/	366,477	458,641	331,619	537,106
	TOTAL	1,347,820	1,541,569	902,677	1,681,950
Rye	(On Farms 1/	6,538	10,470	3,514	14,522
	(Terminals 2/	3,285	6,240	8,445	12,047
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	---	---	153	1,619
	(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/ 5/	3,238	3,961	2,735	4,289
	TOTAL	13,061	20,671	14,847	32,477
Corn	(On Farms 1/	171,375	329,625	986,080	357,950
	(Terminals 2/	18,186	9,365	15,945	18,052
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	244,603	384,400	336,110	467,837
	(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/ 5/	52,362	45,400	64,936	74,402
	TOTAL	486,526	768,790	1,403,071	918,241
Oats	(On Farms 1/	1,000,759	984,324	204,050	1,191,309
	(Terminals 2/	34,204	27,122	4,872	26,377
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	172	924	714	9,323
	(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/ 5/	63,832	58,791	24,674	78,595
	TOTAL	1,098,967	1,071,161	234,310	1,305,604
Barley	(On Farms 1/	132,142	148,842	34,945	225,104
	(Terminals 2/	20,085	14,631	9,121	23,495
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	738	104	1,345	3,732
	(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/ 5/	68,297	72,082	25,407	101,729
	TOTAL	221,262	235,659	70,818	354,060
Sorghum Grain	(On Farms 1/	5,803	3,416	6/	3,168
	(Terminals 2/	2,635	1,223	6,207	5,233
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	148	13	6,896	2,261
	(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/ 5/	1,349	2,666	18,467	11,361
	TOTAL	9,935	7,318	6/	22,023

- 1/ Estimates of the Crop Reporting Board.
- 2/ Commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at 44 terminal cities.
- 3/ Owned by CCC and stored in bins or other storages owned or controlled by CCC, also CCC-owned grain in transit to ports; other CCC-owned grain is included in the estimates by positions.
- 4/ Mills reporting to the Bureau of the Census, on millings and stocks of flour.
- 5/ All off-farm storages not otherwise designated for each grain.
- 6/ Not available for April 1 nor July 1.

CORN CARRYOVER AND WHEAT STOCKS RECORD LARGE

Wheat stocks of nearly 1.7 billion bushels are the largest of record, equivalent to domestic needs for more than two years. The carryover of corn exceeds that of any previous season. With relatively large stocks of oats, barley and sorghum grain, the tonnage of the 4 feed grains represented by these October 1 stocks - 55.7 million tons - is largest by far in the 8 years for which such data are available. These data on stocks in all positions are assembled by the Crop Reporting Board from the various sources:--stocks at terminals reported to the Grain Division of the Agricultural Marketing Service; grains reported by Commodity Credit Corporation as owned and stored in bins and other storages under CCC control and in transit; estimates of the Crop Reporting Board for stocks on farms, at merchant mills and at interior mills, elevators, and warehouses.

Stocks of 1,682 million bushels of wheat stored in all positions on October 1 are the largest for the date in the comparable series beginning in 1935. This total is 9 percent larger than a year earlier, the previous record holdings, and nearly 50 percent larger than average. The stocks total exceeds 1954 production by 75 percent, reflecting the record large carryover of old wheat on July 1.

Off-farm wheat stocks of 1,245 million bushels, one-fourth larger than a year earlier, are a record total for the date, with holdings in each of the off-farm positions at a record level. In contrast, farm stocks of 437 million bushels for October 1 are the smallest for that date since 1940 and nearly one-fourth less than a year earlier. This decrease in farm stocks results largely from the smaller wheat crop harvested in 1954.

The off-farm total includes 423 million bushels at terminals, nearly one-fourth more than a year earlier, the previous record. The 537 million bushels held in interior mills, elevators and warehouses on October 1 compares with the previous record holdings of 459 million bushels a year earlier. Merchant mill wheat stocks totaled 159 million bushels, well above the 134 million bushels held a year earlier and 4 million bushels larger than the previous record stocks for that position on October 1, 1941. The Commodity Credit Corporation had 126 million bushels of wheat, a record total, stored in bins under CCC control, aboard ships in the "moth-ball fleet," and in transit to ports. Other government owned wheat is included in the estimate for the position where stored.

Rye stocks of 32.5 million bushels stored in all positions on October 1, 1954, are 57 percent larger than stocks a year earlier and the largest October 1 holdings in 10 years. Farm stocks of rye at 14½ million bushels, the largest since October 1, 1943, account for nearly half of the total stocks. Stocks of rye at terminals totaled 12.0 million bushels, nearly double the quantity held in that position a year earlier. Other off-farm storages held 5.9 million bushels of rye, compared with 4.0 million bushels a year earlier.

The corn carryover of 918 million bushels in all positions on October 1 is largest of record. It is nearly a fifth larger than the 769 million bushels in storage a year ago and tops the previous record in 1950 by 73 million bushels. The farm stocks portion of 358 million bushels is 28 million larger than a year ago, but has been exceeded 6 times previously. However, with 468 million bushels of CCC-owned corn stored in their own bins, the off-farm portion is by far the largest of record. Stocks of over 74 million bushels at interior mills, elevators, and warehouses have been exceeded only twice previously and the 18 million bushels at terminals is more than in most recent years. Disappearance in the July-September quarter is computed at 485 million bushels and for the 1953-54 feeding season

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STOCKS OF GRAINS OCTOBER 1, 1954

State	In interior mills, elevators, & warehouses		Merchant mills		Off-farm total		Total	
	October 1		October 1		October 1		October 1	
	1953		1954		1953		1954	
	Thousand bushels							
N.Eng.	162	141	*	1	1,194	2,073	1,194	2,073
N.Y.	*	*	7,358	10,171	51,474	73,009	60,227	79,407
N.J.	239	214	*	*	1,220	2,280	1,990	3,052
Pa.	1,751	3,386	1,690	1,850	8,354	8,329	17,870	17,321
Ohio	11,593	13,411	*	*	26,548	30,460	56,968	51,893
Ind.	4,878	3,790	4,391	4,219	11,974	13,073	27,663	27,159
Ill.	5,753	9,215	6,535	6,808	35,017	41,761	50,348	55,065
Mich.	6,836	6,493	2,603	3,479	9,961	11,671	41,245	30,190
Wis.	1,771	1,543	*	*	29,787	29,880	30,986	31,187
Minn.	5,587	6,088	9,208	9,396	57,855	67,857	70,954	75,679
Iowa	2,061	*	2,053	*	12,827	13,524	13,720	14,445
Mo.	1,995	16,285	11,431	12,892	42,922	63,427	53,179	74,974
N.Dak.	30,548	28,600	3,000	2,721	33,688	36,363	114,777	96,949
S.Dak.	7,986	8,225	195	182	11,139	17,518	35,951	39,555
Nebr.	27,817	38,117	3,339	4,525	46,399	65,881	99,707	99,650
Kans.	92,448	124,510	23,295	24,539	185,659	246,240	250,757	317,132
Del.	133	69	31	28	164	97	378	293
Md.	180	210	*	773	7,428	7,909	8,324	8,809
Va.	1,102	1,211	965	1,364	13,502	28,818	15,794	31,109
W.Va.	25	41	42	69	67	110	993	854
N.C.	528	866	1,144	1,323	1,672	2,189	5,854	5,450
S.C.	778	800	220	279	1,045	1,087	2,318	1,826
Ga.	546	730	163	163	709	893	1,715	1,627
Ky.	970	1,377	2,840	2,830	5,637	6,940	7,799	8,545
Tenn.	1,973	1,771	1,176	941	4,207	3,180	6,119	4,605
Ala.	*	*	*	*	839	1,773	985	1,931
Miss.	370	60	*	21	370	81	847	332
Ark.	*	690	*	1	1,226	691	1,582	1,234
La.	---	10	---	---	1,416	2,538	1,416	2,538
Okla.	35,332	47,884	6,689	7,607	82,114	109,132	94,146	123,994
Texas	58,028	63,737	15,337	*	102,386	122,281	105,841	126,332
Mont.	19,496	16,174	2,848	2,990	22,344	19,164	105,691	70,377
Idaho	19,877	17,181	1,786	2,064	21,663	19,245	39,738	32,630
Wyo.	*	*	*	*	1,166	1,246	5,806	2,951
Colo.	17,947	21,424	3,296	3,476	24,264	29,890	51,773	39,107
N.Mex.	2,766	2,900	125	728	2,891	3,628	3,025	3,736
Ariz.	79	83	188	121	267	204	434	327
Utah	1,415	1,272	3,437	3,086	7,624	6,078	12,891	9,236
Nev.	184	32	---	---	184	32	498	333
Wash.	63,693	62,612	4,588	4,601	77,286	94,670	94,116	116,511
Oreg.	19,700	18,300	2,712	2,713	27,586	53,205	37,875	59,962
Calif.	1,333	1,811	1,627	1,643	3,600	4,634	7,550	9,450
Unallocated*	10,761	15,843	10,165	41,471	325	2,120	325	2,120
U.S.	458,641	537,106	134,477	159,075	978,000	1,245,181	1,541,569	1,681,950
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2/Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

STOCKS OF GRAINS OCTOBER 1, 1954 - Continued

State	Rye				Shelled and ear corn (old crop)			
	Off farm	Total	27		Off-farm	Total	27	
	total 1/	all positions			total 1/	all positions		
	October 1	October 1			October 1	October 1		
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
T h o u s a n d b u s h e l s								
N.Eng.	*	*	*	*	423	406	488	464
N.Y.	*	1,409	*	1,595	548	2,815	2,015	2,881
N.J.	10	12	69	129	95	291	932	859
Pa.	24	103	182	274	565	1,334	6,880	6,231
Ohio	39	72	267	538	7,820	10,379	21,263	23,307
Ind.	52	94	405	1,110	18,984	31,622	32,358	45,719
Ill.	4,889	8,844	5,046	9,761	85,321	107,763	115,694	136,800
Mich.	49	81	416	551	5,569	5,509	19,598	14,359
Wis.	180	256	497	624	1,418	4,810	15,044	18,832
Minn.	1,664	2,359	2,714	3,157	23,936	68,005	56,419	122,494
Iowa	39	2	94	72	212,107	182,847	329,658	301,348
Mo.	184	230	381	576	4,728	11,355	18,337	23,495
N.Dak.	1,102	2,029	3,547	5,459	460	750	1,386	2,801
S.Dak.	588	1,472	2,581	3,325	24,026	38,307	35,149	66,157
Nebr.	95	132	854	1,093	45,555	74,040	78,590	103,499
Kans.	23	26	131	419	2,646	7,286	7,114	11,969
Del.	13	40	96	151	11	*	136	*
Md.	31	17	141	141	1,210	2,592	2,183	3,319
Va.	24	78	111	247	378	747	2,926	1,689
W.Va.	*	*	*	*	37	57	1,187	682
N.C.	15	19	131	165	96	110	3,240	3,681
S.C.	1	5	89	145	4	*	983	*
Ga.	10	7	67	74	51	141	2,369	2,293
Fla.	---	---	---	---	---	---	311	237
Ky.	173	267	360	446	803	1,994	5,290	6,822
Tenn.	19	18	157	145	355	867	2,495	4,115
Ala.	3	2	3	2	*	309	*	1,825
Miss.	2	1	2	1	*	*	*	*
Ark.	1	1	1	1	22	46	456	573
La.	---	---	---	---	396	174	638	480
Okla.	23	14	415	540	116	143	486	420
Texas	33	67	178	252	168	353	1,721	985
Mont.	2	4	87	139	19	20	25	37
Idaho	5	2	27	44	18	37	78	186
Wyo.	1	3	39	65	17	23	22	50
Colo.	11	18	127	260	238	837	403	1,284
N.Mex.	1	*	12	16	12	21	35	50
Ariz.	*	*	*	*	11	6	74	67
Utah	*	*	*	43	44	136	45	141
Nev.	*	*	*	*	1	5	1	5
Wash.	16	205	118	437	145	188	169	218
Oreg.	28	26	262	357	177	113	216	139
Calif.	28	29	95	96	413	537	413	537
Unallocated*	823	11	969	27	230	4,316	1,963	7,191
U.S.	10,201	17,955	20,671	32,477	439,165	560,291	768,790	918,241

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1/Includes stocks at Interior Mills, Elevators and Warehouses, commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at terminals, and those owned by Commodity Credit Corporation which are in transit to ports, in bins and other storages under C.C.C. control.

2/Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

STOCKS OF GRAINS OCTOBER 1, 1954 - Continued

State	Oats				Barley			
	Off-farm		Total 2/		Off-farm		Total 2/	
	total 1/		all positions		total 1/		all positions	
	October 1	October 1	October 1	October 1	October 1	October 1	October 1	October 1
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
T h o u s a n d b u s h e l s								
N.Eng.	504	451	4,878	4,647	477	76	556	131
N.Y.	6,767	4,283	30,284	29,577	1,515	1,406	3,243	3,550
N.J.	139	177	1,249	1,439	90	*	502	*
Pa.	672	1,596	24,766	30,203	247	270	4,176	5,990
Ohio	4,218	4,799	42,627	48,287	97	*	572	*
Ind.	2,478	3,130	37,597	46,402	50	44	389	842
Ill.	9,616	9,387	94,768	109,980	*	2,268	*	3,071
Mich.	901	1,475	43,888	48,023	157	*	1,956	*
Wis.	2,552	3,330	111,622	120,479	16,849	17,411	19,145	19,367
Minn.	15,400	20,718	154,643	175,825	15,374	16,593	35,264	38,546
Iowa	11,217	13,770	136,482	207,290	195	*	332	*
Mo.	1,945	3,121	26,246	44,881	*	*	*	*
N.Dak.	3,334	6,911	61,542	58,778	6,382	9,910	41,692	60,899
S.Dak.	5,460	9,106	89,341	107,982	740	1,826	8,267	9,880
Nebr.	2,976	3,347	39,631	66,177	164	197	2,922	5,557
Kans.	596	954	17,264	25,767	84	237	1,040	5,277
Del.	36	*	216	*	25	10	186	192
Md.	188	187	1,534	1,733	224	135	1,738	1,953
Va.	199	245	3,545	4,530	52	76	2,033	2,491
W.Va.	22	27	1,148	2,691	6	9	287	373
N.C.	657	716	9,669	11,086	107	167	1,015	1,243
S.C.	545	835	12,547	13,742	36	27	303	275
Ga.	2,860	5,031	15,691	17,212	9	21	133	131
Fla.	---	---	408	540	---	---	---	---
Ky.	176	111	2,655	2,847	29	58	1,039	1,394
Tenn.	1,690	1,933	6,664	6,289	77	91	647	721
Ala.	440	*	3,810	*	*	*	*	*
Miss.	835	1,510	5,107	9,510	1	*	1	*
Ark.	372	1,264	4,468	7,265	9	*	135	*
La.	---	143	960	1,809	*	3	*	3
Okla.	284	528	8,280	12,670	51	182	384	2,774
Texas	2,247	4,173	28,477	33,013	170	411	995	2,112
Mont.	237	177	12,729	13,761	934	2,284	16,059	34,468
Idaho	1,828	1,922	8,128	9,334	3,295	6,595	9,746	18,658
Wyo.	97	100	4,516	3,786	107	116	2,939	3,219
Colo.	342	579	4,911	3,807	2,365	2,187	9,914	6,543
N.Mex.	19	12	166	243	27	18	339	191
Ariz.	108	77	400	379	2,882	5,536	4,200	9,717
Utah	105	262	1,625	1,492	1,258	1,982	6,426	7,169
Nev.	23	60	333	329	121	113	751	714
Wash.	1,732	1,692	6,317	6,387	4,146	17,094	6,260	23,079
Oreg.	1,473	3,459	7,124	9,899	4,578	10,294	8,921	17,569
Calif.	1,547	2,047	2,903	3,118	19,726	29,461	35,607	55,677
Unallocated*	---	650	---	3,395	4,161	1,848	5,545	10,284
U.S.	86,637	114,295	1,071,161	1,305,604	86,817	128,956	235,659	354,060

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2/Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

at 2,720 million bushels of grain corn. This is slightly more than in the 1952-53 season, but less than in any of the three seasons before that.

Oats stocks of 1,306 million bushels have been exceeded on this date only in 1945. At more than a fifth larger than a year earlier, current stocks reflect the near-record 1954 production. Off-farm stocks of 114 million bushels are largest of record and farm stocks of 1,191 million are second largest.

Barley stocks of 354 million bushels on October 1 are the largest in the 12 years of comparable record, also reflecting heavy 1954 production. Farm stocks of 225 million bushels are the largest since 1943 and the off-farm portion of 129 million bushels has never been exceeded.

For Sorghum Grain, the carryover of 22 million bushels is larger than in most seasons, having been exceeded only in 1950 and 1951. It is about three times as large as the 7.3 million carried over a year ago. The current total includes 3.2 million bushels on farms, 11.4 million at interior mills, elevators, and warehouses, 5.2 million at terminals and 2.3 million bushels of CCC-owned sorghum grain in their own bins. No identifiable new crop sorghum grain is included in these carryover stocks.

STOCKS OF GRAINS OCTOBER 1, 1954 - Continued

Sorghum Grain (Old Crop)									
Off-farm					Off-farm				
Total 2/ all					Total 2/ all				
State : total 1/					State : total 1/				
: positions					: positions				
: October 1					: October 1				
: 1953					: 1953				
: 1954					: 1954				
Thousand bushels					Thousand bushels				
N.Y.	*	40	*	40	Miss.	1	*	1	*
Pa.	13	34	13	34	Ark.	1	4	6	10
Ohio	4	*	4	*	La.	*	80	*	80
Ind.	7	3	9	5	Okla.	175	277	345	737
Ill.	12	*	12	*	Texas	2,199	10,814	3,164	11,918
Iowa	10	4	10	4	Wyo.	*	2	*	2
Mo.	200	95	211	118	Colo.	88	149	128	281
S.Dak.	2	*	12	*	N.Mex.	94	143	126	198
Nebr.	31	383	254	543	Ariz.	57	1,228	88	1,266
Kans.	565	4,525	2,419	5,597	Wash.	*	2	*	2
Md.	*	67	*	67	Oreg.	*	6	*	6
Ky.	3	*	3	*	Calif	409	784	429	805
Tenn.	*	26	*	26	Other States &				
Ala.	*	*	5	18	unallocated *	31	189	79	266
: U.S.					: U.S.				